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Mr. Roger Smith  
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Dear Roger:

On June 17, 2009, I attempted to conduct an aerial detection survey for gypsy moth-caused tree defoliation at Fort Dix. Even though I had coordinated this survey through both McGuire Air Force Base and range control at Fort Dix, I was unable to complete the survey due to activity on the range. Based on observations made at Lakehurst NAS and the eastern portion of Fort Dix, it is likely that no defoliation occurred at Fort Dix in 2009.

However, if you anticipate requesting either financial or technical assistance for gypsy moth control in 2010, please contact Brad Onken (304) 285-1546 or me (304) 285-1555 before August 21, 2009.

Please contact me at the above number if you have any questions regarding this aerial survey letter.

Sincerely,

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Forester  
Forest Health Protection

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